



Originality And Diversity Mark High School Graduating Seniors

Looking back over the school year 1964-65 several things seem to deserve special commendation. The Kronikler wishes to take the lead in recognizing the achievements of the various organizations in our school who have excelled during the year.

First we wish to praise the Class of '65. It is one of the most original classes to walk the halls of PCS in many years.

The Senior Jamboree was different and far more interesting than its predecessors. The Circus was on a scale never before attempted in the school before.

This year the National Honor Society has sponsored programs to improve

Potsdam High and has adopted a new exchange program in addition to the American Field Service. It has raised money for both programs. Even though Potsdam

neither sent nor received an exchange student, the Honor Society refused to be disenchanted and carried out its obligations admirably.

The Music organizations have put in a tremendous year. The Band is one of the best in the state. The exceptional quality of the musical organizations at Potsdam is due to the dedication of the music students and Mr. Rahling.

The football team has brought to Potsdam the top place in the Northern League for the first time in what seemed like centuries. It has become a source of pride for our school. This is partly due to its fine coaching, but it could not have been done without the support of the team and of the entire student body. The track team has also put in a very good showing. This is in the tradition of Potsdam Track teams. This year has also shown an increase in school spirit.

There has been a steady

pressure from the students to change, and to improve various aspects of school life. These have not been uniformly successful, yet the attempts have been made and the spirit is there.

Finally we wish to congratulate those who are graduating later this month.

In this last 1964-65 issue, we of the Kronikler would like to extend special thanks to Mr. Michael Knapp for helping

to make our paper possible. Due to a lack of funds last year, it was impossible to publish an entire paper within the school. Mr. Knapp offered to let us have a page in the Courier. This arrangement has worked out quite well. Because the Kronikler is published for readers outside of school as well as in, we are somewhat limited in the material we can print, but we feel that our paper is an important link between the high school and the townspeople.

PCS Gives Awards To Students

The annual Senior High Achievement Day assembly was held on the morning of Friday, May 28. The Orchestra played before and after the presentation of awards. This day is set aside to honor those who have excelled in their activities during the school year.

The members of the Senior Class lined the halls as an honor guard as the juniors passed to the auditorium. The program began with the presentation of the Senior Class Key by Jim McSparron, president of the Class of '65, to Jim Putnam, president of the Class of '66.

This was followed by the presentation of 113 Scholastic awards to those who have attained an average of above 85 for the last three marking periods. The perfect attendance awards were given out next.

The American Agriculture Award, which consisted of a check, was presented to Ronald Mitchell by Mr. Cole, the Agriculture teacher. The Mathematics Award, which is given to the person who earns the highest number of points at the St. Lawrence Math Contest, was awarded to Greer Cox.

Mrs. Lally passed out awards to those Kronikler Staff members who have distinguished themselves on the staff. She also awarded the Brown Alumni Award to Tim Wyant. This is given to the junior who shows the most promise in English, and consists of a dictionary.

The orchestra awards were presented by Mrs. Schorge to all members of the orchestra. Mr. Wisner presented three trophies to the students who showed the best spirit and attitude in their driver education: Amy Theobald, Jan Swan, and Carol Denicourt. Mr. Grahling presented awards to the band members.

Miss Haley presented The Senior Service Award of the Class of '62 to Amy Theobald. The Danforth award was given to Michael Sprague and Diane Jarrett. This consists of a book called 'I Dare You.' Diane Jarrett was given the Student Council District 6 Award for Citizenship, presented to only one student in Northern New York. Chorus awards were presented by Mrs. Powers.

National Honor Society Letters and pins were handed out by Mrs. Pattison. These are awarded to the students who maintain an average of more than 92. Charles Prescott received a pin for meeting this standard two times in a row. Mr. Daniels presented the Betty Crocker award to Nancy Colburn. After this, the Alma Mater was sung and the assembly was dismissed as the orchestra played a brisk march.

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60 Percent Of The Class Of 1965 Goes On To Higher Education

Over 85 Potsdam Central Seniors will go on to higher education next year. A few seniors may be missing from this list because they have not decided where they are going yet or were absent from school the day the research for this article was compiled. The major listed with each name may not be the major in college but it does indicate the interest of the student today.

19 seniors are going to the State University at Potsdam. They are: Betty Maine-history; James Gotham-liberal arts; Jerry Aiken-history; Michael Sprague-biology; Cynthia Cook -education; Diane Jarrett -humanities; David Grahling -music; William Rose -physics; Donnajean Crockett -French; Phyllis Cook -education; Jane Welch -sociology; Heather Anderson -music, and Bill Hamilton -physics.

Going to ATC at Canton are: James Calnon -hotel-technology; Jane Smith -secretarial science; Catherine Connelly -secretarial science; Martha Hosmer -secretarial science; Jim Green -Banking Insurance and Real Estate; Bob Halford -Business Ad.; Walter McLennan hotel technology; Tim Casey -electrical technology; Bill Mitchell -heating and air conditioning technology; George Dory, Doug Parault, business Ad.; Ronald Perigo - agricultural tech.; Sharon Tudeau -accounting; Glen Sullivan -electrical tech.; John Hayes -

Three Juniors Participate In Programs

Three juniors will be attending summer school at Potsdam State this summer. Jane Kristiansen and Mary Beth Phillips will attend regular summer school along with college students and other High School students. Both girls will take Psychology 101, a pre-requisite course required by all colleges for psychology majors.

Jane will also take Linguistics 107, a course in general linguistics for background for foreign languages; Mary Beth will take Modern Art 404 for her second course. Three hours of college credit is given for each course.

Lynne Haskins will participate in a field geology course sponsored by the National Science Foundation. She is one of sixty high school students selected from over seven hundred students across the country to participate in the NSF program in field geology and field biology at SUFC. All three girls will live on campus from June 28 to August 6.

Business Ad.; Peter Chase - B. A.; Richard Denicourt - electrical tech.; and Michael Bergin -electrical technology. Attending D'Youville College are Marian Valade and Mari-Jo Charlebois, both are majoring in nursing. Attending Salem College in West Virginia are Ginny Vernatter and James Baxter, both majoring in physical education. At Clarkson Greer Cox will major in math and Marshal Smith in BA.

At St. Lawrence, Helen Waldruff will major in Medical Technology. Kurt Halliday will attend Cornell studying speech & drama. Bonee Fliegler will attend Cazenovia College. Sarah Lindsay will attend Hattiesburg College in Mississippi studying dramatics. At the State University at Oswego are Donna Gardiner -Elementary Education, and Janice Darringer -Math. Sue Barry will go to Oneonta and major in English.

Three Potsdam seniors will attend the Central City Business Institute in Syracuse. Judy MacDonald, Peter Belmont - accounting; Kathleen Gaffney - Secretarial accounting. Ruth Kirker and Jim McSparron will attend Harpur College. Majoring in liberal arts at Middlebury College will be Charles Williams. Debbie Steinberg and Sally Schweyer will attend the State University at Albany majoring in sociology and math respectively. Carole Sullivan will

attend the Albany Medical Center studying X-ray Technology.

Bruce Kent will attend Dayton University in Ohio majoring in Business Administration. Janice Comstock is to attend Cortland majoring in elementary education. Nancy Colburn and Carol Lakins will go to Syracuse University. Attending Ohio University is Cliff Kolson, who will major in NROTC and Math. Jane Scott will attend the Mercy School of Nursing. Rosemarie Whitman will attend the Richard Detoto Beauty School in Syracuse.

Robert Haldeman will attend the Catholic University of America in Washington, D. C. majoring in architecture. Charles Prescott will attend Hamilton College. Larry Calhoun will major in Anthropology and Archaeology at Eastern Nazarine College. Bill Putnam will attend Boston College. Isabel Valiela will go to the University of Buenos Aires majoring in Spanish. Majoring in Liberal Arts at Allegheny College in Pennsylvania is Amy Theobald.

Patricia Dodds will attend Trinity College majoring in Medical Technology. John Sweeney will attend the Adirondack Community College; he will major in Business Administration. Stephen Nagy will major in Electrical Eng. at the Mohawk Valley C. C. Robert Winthrop will attend the school of Architecture of the University of Virginia.

Ruth Cummings will study nursing at the House of the Good Samaritan. Phyllis Theobald will attend the Champlain Valley School of Nursing. Robert Wagner will major in Liberal arts at Dartmouth College.

Tom Winthrop will major in political science at the Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina in Charleston. David Hugel will attend the Orange County Trade School. Mike Perry will study at the Wana-kena Ranger School. Carol Smith will study at the A. Barton Hepburn School of Nursing.

Edre Gorius will go to Plattsburg studying Home Economics. Attending the Jefferson Community College are Robert Myers-liberal arts and Leo Grant-accounting. Joan Heaton and Clair Rose will attend manpower school. Freda Mariae will be trained in Lab Technology at the Hospital. Meribeth Decker will attend the University of Georgia. Mary Lou Manfred will major in English at Nazareth College. Peter Fiske will major in Library Science at the State University at Geneseo, and Susan Weeks will major in liberal arts at the University of Rochester. Wayne Musser and Mark Powers will both attend Paul Smiths studying hotel management and forestry respectively. Susan Sampson will be gracing the halls of Corning Community College.

Student Council Bars Club Presidents From Meetings

During this year's last meeting of the Student Council a constitutional amendment was passed after two meetings of debate. The Presidents of the various clubs are no longer members of the council.

It was felt that the council had grown too large to be able to work with a maximum of efficiency. President-elect Jerry Hayes proposed that one of the two homeroom representatives be cut out. The other officers of the council supported him.

The proposal came under immediate fire from some of the members. They contended that the council was too large to be effective, but they felt that the homeroom representatives should be retained and that the presidents of clubs should be eliminated. After considerable debate at the meeting before this one, the proposal was tabled.

At this last meeting the matter was quickly called to the floor. The council was divided into two groups. One

group favored the proposal to remove one of the homeroom representatives; this was, at first, the largest group, primarily composed of lower classmen.

The opposing group wanted to eliminate the presidents of clubs. This was made up of mainly seniors, although it had several strong supporters in the other classes. The Anti-homeroom group tried to call a vote but this attempt was defeated by those who wanted further discussion.

The debate continued for several more minutes until it was proposed by a member of the pro-homeroom faction that the question be tabled until the next meeting. The meeting would take place next year. This was defeated.

The council next voted on the proposal. The first count showed that the Pro-homeroom faction had a little more than was necessary to defeat the proposal. It had to be passed by a two-thirds major-

ity. A roll call vote was then held. Several more people moved to oppose the proposal and the vote was tied 21-21. The proposal was dead.

Robert Winthrop, one of the leaders of the Pro-Homeroom faction, then proposed that the presidents of clubs be removed. This would eliminate 18 people. This passed quickly and the meeting adjourned.

NEW CADET TEACHER

Yvonne Cadoret, a Senior from St. Lawrence, is Mrs. Darringer's new cadet. She originally comes from Hovick Falls, a small town in New York State. At St. Lawrence, her major is geometry and her minors are chemistry, physics, and psychology. Miss Cadoret also enjoys playing the clarinet, piano, and guitar, although her hobbies are sewing and sports. On the whole, she enjoys cadet teaching greatly, and she finds PCS and the students very pleasant.



NYSSMA REGISTRATION — Both the Solo, Ensemble, and Major Organizations NYSSMA Festivals were held in Potsdam this year. The Festivals were planned and administered entirely by the Potsdam Central Music students under the direction of NYSSMA Chairman,

Mr. Grahling. Above are a few of the users taking a shift at the registration desk. From left to right are John Winthrop, Barbara Mackey, Cathy McMann, Celeste Thomaris, Bruce Crossman, and Larry Calhoun.

On Friday and Saturday, May 14 and 15, the NYSSMA Festival for Major Organizations was held in the Potsdam Jr.-Sr. High School. Mr. Harold Grahling was the Festival chairman and student co-chairman was David Grahling.

Acting as Student Registrars were Cathy McMann and Ranny Gale, while Amy Theobald and Mitchell Durham were in charge of equipment and maintenance. Adjudicators were Theodore Peterson, Fredonia SUC, and William Katz, East Meadow, for bands and orchestras; Ronald Thomas, Naut, and Raymond Mech, Seaford, judged the choruses.

The Potsdam High School Concert Band under the direc-

tion of Harold Grahling received an "A" rating in grade 6, which is the most difficult grade of music, for the second consecutive year.

The orchestra, directed by Mrs. Ann Schorge, earned an A-4 rating while the Mixed and Girls' Chorus, directed by Mrs. Nancy Powers, both received B-4.

Two junior high courses, Mixed and Girls', attained B-1 and A-1 ratings respectively. These two groups were under the direction of Mrs. Darlyne Bautaw. The choruses did extremely well considering that they only have time for one full rehearsal a week.

Mu Alpha Theta Holds Induction For Juniors

Forty-three students were recently inducted into the Math Club, Mu Alpha Theta. This is the international high school and junior college mathematics club. Mr. Ward O. Chase is the sponsor of this organization. Students must have earned the honor of induction by maintaining an average of 85 or above for the previous three years of mathematics and a non-failing record in their other subjects.

At the induction meeting, members received their pins and certificates. Dr. Elmer Haskins delivered a speech.

The following students were inducted: Bernard S. Alpert, David Baker, Paulina S. Baker, James A. Balukjian, Mary L. Barrington, Michael S. Boya, Patricia K. Bromling, Josef F. Bronicki, Diane M. Cayey, Jeffery A. Clark, David J. Dwyer, Mary E. Fay, Mary J. Fiesinger, Bruce M. Forbes, Bonnie L. Green, Fleur S. Griffith, Barbara A. Halse, Lynn M. Haskins, Jeremiah M. Hayes, Gerry D. Hobson, Timothy F. Jenack, Robert C. Krebs, Jane E. Kristianson, Lyndon F. LaBrake, Anita M. LaFleur, Tracy K. Lewis, Frederick H. Martin, David W. Mattot.

Also Ronald D. Mitchell, Robert C. Oberst, Jane E. Perkins, John K. Snyder, Peter M. Stone, Michael C. Sweeney, Nancy L. Tarbox, William L. Thomaris, Gordon W. Tomalty, Jan K. Turcotte, Carol M. Valade, Virginia I. Vanderburg, Lawrence I. Winters, and Timothy S. Wyant, and Roger T.C. Yaw.

The Potsdam yearbook, the Sandstoner, was dedicated this year to Mrs. Pattison. She is the school librarian and the advisor to the Library Club and the National Honor Society.

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Madame Merriman Retiring

Madame Merriman is retiring next year. She deserves very special commendation, not only for her many years of dedicated and exceptional teaching in Potsdam High School, but for her lively wit and energetic personality which has made her classes so interesting and endeared her to both students and faculty.

Mrs. Merriman came to Potsdam in 1944 to substitute for the regular French teacher, who was involved in World War II. She originally intended to stay for a few months, but ended up teaching French in PCS for 21 years. Previously she taught high school French in Messina from 1931 to 1937.

Madame was educated in France, Canada, and the United States and received her BA from Wellesley College in Massachusetts, her Masters Degree from the University of Grenoble, in France, and her M.Ed. from St. Lawrence University.

She plans to spend much of her retirement time traveling to the U. S. West Coast this fall and to France and Switzerland this spring.



STRAWBERRIES, ANYONE? — The group of young people above seem to be enjoying every moment of the dance contest, which was part of the annual Junior-High Strawberry Festival this spring. A transformation of the

school grounds on Leroy Street created a carnival atmosphere; and strawberries, ice cream, games and prizes combined with the dance contest to enliven the evening.

Student Council Inaugurates New Election System

The student council has inaugurated a new method of nominating officers to the top council posts of president, vice-president, treasurer, and secretary. They will now be nominated by a petition which must contain at least one tenth of the student body. No

student can sign more than one petition per office, but he can sign different petitions for different offices. The new method replaces one in which the nominees for offices were nominated in class meetings. The person who nominated a man had to

give a speech before the entire student association. It was discovered that very few people were nominated using this method. The officers of the council have stressed over and over again the importance of having good officers.